

Rapid River News!

December 18, 2008



From L.R.B.O.I.

(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PA will appear for Public Affairs)

(Cultural related items)

- **New Year Jiingtamok 'A celebration of Life in Sobriety'**. Once again this year, Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health is bringing this clean fun opportunity to the Manistee area. From 5 p.m to 1 a.m. there will be a Jiingtamok at Manistee High School with a dinner feast from 5:30 – 7 p.m and a Grand Entry at 7:30. Host drum is Southern Straight and Co-Host drum is Northern Bear. For more information contact Julie Wolfe at 1-888-382-8299 ext. 6632.

(General area items)

- **Election Slate Announced.** The Tribal Election Board has released the certified candidate list. It is attached to the bottom of your *Rapid River News*.

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **New Tribal Office Hours Announced.** The tribal government has announced new office hours beginning January 5th, 2009. The offices will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and closed on Friday. This is in response to the newly adopted budget passed by Tribal Council on December 17th, 2008.
- **Work Force Development will be in Muskegon from 9:30am-3:30pm at the Muskegon Tribal Office** the following dates December 30th, January 6, 8, 15, 20, 22, 29.
- **Planning Department.** The Planning Department LRBOI Long Range Transportation Final draft will be posted on the tribal website (www.lrboi.com) for 30 day comment .Notice of public meeting will be held on January 6th 2009 @ 3pm in the Dome Room
- **OSHA Training at LRCR.** Indian Health Service brought one of the top OSHA safety training professionals in the nation in for 4 days worth of training to tribal utility, maintenance and housing operators last week. Representatives from a number of Michigan tribes attended.
- **Maajiidaa Let's Move** the new exercise video program from Tribal Health was unveiled at a reception in the Three Fires Conference Center on the 11th. This acclaimed program, the actors, the videographer and the background to the program were explained by Diabetic Health Nurse Holly Davis and by Tribal Health Director Jessica Burger. A healthy 'feast' was held prior to the showing and a nice giveaway of DVD players took place at the end. Ogema Romanelli and Council Member Hardenburgh attended and spoke highly of the production.

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Certified Slate of Candidates for Primary for 2009 General Election

Office of Tribal Council – At-Large

Michael J. Ceplina	Shannon Paul Crampton
Bob Davis	Rita A. Gale
Tresa L. Hunley (McCaslin-Shawnoskey)	
Virgil J. Johnson	Karen Love
Larry R. Olson	Elaine J. Porter

Office of Tribal Council – 9-County

Kimberly M. Alexander	Bill Anderson
Harold Battice II	Austen J. Brauker
Stan Bray	Mack Brushman
Jon Burmeister	Candace Chapman
Alex David Cogswell	Bradley J. Compeau
Sharron Cogswell Detz	Gary Paul DiPiazza
Darrin Griffith	Ben Hamilton
Lee A. Iverson	Steven W. Kequom
Chuck King	Don Koon
Jessica Lyn LeDoux	Pamela S. Medahko
Steve Parsons	Janine M. Sam
Daniel M. Shepard	Edward A. Walters
Melissa Zelenak	

Certified Slate for Primary – Continued

Office of Tribal Council -- Outlying

Mary Bower	Jessica L. Burger
Chuck Fisher	Norbert J. Kelsey
Margery Lutz	Sandy Lempke-Mezeske
Rick Sprague Big Thunder	

Office of Tribal Court Chief Judge

Daniel T. Bailey	John Gregory Kelsey
Jonnie Jay Sam	Peggy J. Vriesman

Office of Tribal Appellate Court Judge (Licensed Attorney)

Melissa L. Pope

Office of Tribal Appellate Court Judge (Tribal Elder)

Marcella Leusby	Joseph J. LaPorte
Martha Kase	

Office of Election Board

Duane Battice	Terri L. Burmeister
Berni L. Carlson	Brenda Hyma-Cogswell
Alesia Condon	Nancy I. Kelsey
Bernadene Crampton MPA	Diane A. Lonn

If you have any specific questions, ideas or comments regarding this information, please address them to:

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Or send them direct to currentcomments@lrboi.com.

Your comments will be forwarded to the right person at the tribal government within 24 hours.